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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 19-Jun-04 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 06/19/04	PREVIOUS WEEK 06/12/04
BRO-FRY	161,518	165,735
LT HENS	1,552	1,509
HVY HENS	1,512	1,418

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

WEEK ENDING 12-Jun-04 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	401	0	401
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	256	0	256
SAME WEEK YR AGO	292	9	301
TO-DATE/2004	5,679	69	5,748
TO-DATE/2003	5,716	79	5,795

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,857	1,341	3,198
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	1,368	1,261	2,629
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,865	1,663	3,528
TO-DATE/2004	35,917	29,591	65,508
TO-DATE/2003	44,367	31,124	75,491

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 12-Jun-04 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	163,095	1,456	1,341	2,797
AVG WT	5.27	3.35	7.82	5.49
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS				
LAST WEEK	142,480	1,112	1,261	2,373
SAME WK YR AGO	158,742	1,573	1,654	3,227
AVG WT	5.34	3.37	8.10	5.79
TO-DATE/2004	3,553,613	30,238	29,522	59,760
TO-DATE/2003	3,497,420	38,651	31,045	69,696

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 165.1 million head or 1.0 which was 101% of estimated fryers available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 05-June-04

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE (B) RETAIL (C) DEBONING
4.20 LBS & DOWN 4.21-5.25 LBS 5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----

Head	26,574	20,726	39,384
Avg Weight	3.82	4.80	6.43
% of total /1	31%	24%	45%
Last week	27,050	21,518	39,358
Avg Weight	3.70	4.83	6.54
% of total /1	31%	24%	45%
Same week, yr ago /2	17,702	22,750	55,024
Avg Weight	3.75	4.64	6.05
% of total /1	19%	24%	58%
To date/2004	581,228	476,825	983,464
To date/2003	540,448	520,822	998,889

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 12-Jun-04
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,658	2,735	47	4	4,444
AVG WT	15.83	36.54	24.19	34.69	28.68
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	1,577	2,221	66	6	3,870
SAME WK YR AGO	2,100	2,812	83	7	5,002
AVG WT	15.82	36.83	25.08	31.77	27.80
TO-DATE/2004	39,369	57,208	1,032	160	97,769
TO-DATE/2003	41,782	62,686	1,459	331	106,258

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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